

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:10
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DEFENCE STUDIES IN CURRICULUM OF C.B.S.E.
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has decided to include defence studies in the Curriculum of the Central Board of Secondary Education;
- (b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (c) whether the Defence Experts are disagree with the proposal; and
- (d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a) & (b) The Central Board of Secondary Education, an autonomous organisation, has informed that based on a proposal received from the Directorate of NCC, the Board has decided to introduce the Course entitled 'Defence Studies' in its Curriculum as an elective subject at Senior secondary level. The study of the proposed Course comprising of the components like NCC Course, elements of Military History and elements of Defence Studies would help the students studying in CBSE affiliated schools to get admission in the Under Graduate Courses like Military Science, Military Studies and Strategic Studies being run in several Indian universities and also to pursue career in the field of Defence.

(c) No such information is available with the CBSE. However, the Advisory Committee constituted by the Board to work out the modalities of the Course include the experts drawn from the Directorate of NCC, Universities and the Principals of Sainik School/CRPF School.

(d) Does not arise.